



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hirotake NOZAKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2622

Application No.: 10/501,048

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For: DIGITAL CAMERA

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

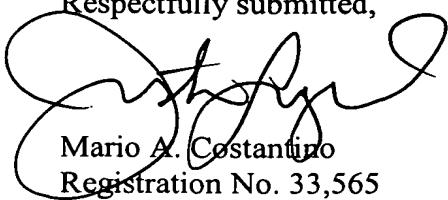
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Sir:

In reply to the July 15, 2008 Restriction Requirement, Applicants provisionally elect Group I, claims 1-33 and 45-49, with traverse.

Applicants respectfully submit that there exists *a priori* unity of invention with respect to claims 1-53, by virtue of the fact that claims all recite subject matter related to memory cards. Therefore, Groups I, II and III do not lack unity *a priori* because claims 1-53 at least have this subject matter in common to all claims.

Thus, withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested.

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